

THE PURPOSE OF A PLAYDATEBOX IS TO CONNECT GENERATIONS THROUGH PLAY

Build your own Playdate Box

Choose a book

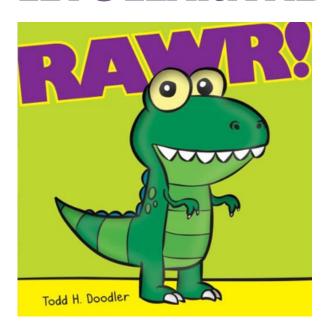
Choose a game

Choose a craft





LET'S LEARN ABOUT DINOSAURS!



Rawr! (ages 3-5) By Todd H. Doodler

This is a simple book for younger children to read and enjoy. It's a silly story that entails a young dinosaur and what he struggles with and how being a dinosaur is hard work.



National Geographic Little Kids First Big Book of Dinosaurs (ages 4-8)

By Catherine D. Hughes

This book explores all differences of dinosaurs, such as size, colors, and more. It includes fun facts about each dinosaur that older and younger children can be fascinated with.





Spin to Win

Preschool Mom has multiple dinosaur games and learning activities to look at.

Materials:

Printable spinner and cards

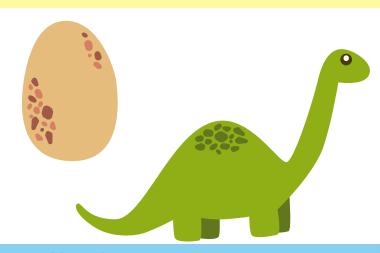
Pen or pencil to spin (or dice instead)

Paper to cover game cards

Spin to win includes 2 spinners (if you don't have the materials to create a spinner, you can use dice) and multiple game sheets for your preschoolers to use. Each child takes a turn spinning each spinner (one with colors, the other with different dinosaurs) and then covers up their game card with the matching dinosaur and color.

Online Ideas

PBS KIDS has so many online games about dinosaurs. Children can find fossils, sort dinosaurs, build with dinosaurs and so much more!



<u>Dinosaur Scavenger Hunt!</u>

Materials:

Printable scavenger hunt cards
Tape (optional to hang up cards)
Toy Dinosaurs (optional)
Prize of your choice

Print and cut out the scavenger hunt cards then hide them around. If you have toy dinosaurs hide them along with the cards (this is optional). You can hide gifts that are dinosaur related with each clue, and have your preschooler(s) open them at the end of the scavenger hunt, or have one prize at the very end to open.

Roll the Dinosaur

Materials:

Printable game sheets

Example sheet

Dice (one per player)

Dinosaur cut out sheets

Colored paper

Plastic bags

Prize (optional)

After putting the game bags together, have your preschoolers roll the dice until they get a 1, then place the body, continue with 2, then 3, all the way through 6 and have them put together their own dinosaur, matching each piece in the correct spot.



Crafts and Hands on Activities

Dinosaur Sensory Swamp

Materials:

Cornstarch

Water

Plastic tote

Plastic table cloth or trash bags

Dinosaur toys

Food coloring to add to oobleck (optional)



This is something I always did in preschool when I was little. We made oobleck which is 2 parts cornstarch and 1 part water mixed in a plastic tote to create a liquid, except when applied force, it becomes a solid. (I recommend putting trash bags or a plastic tablecloth underneath the stations especially if you are using this over the carpet, but it is still easy clean up!) Your preschoolers can help make this, or just the adult if you're worried about it getting messy. We would then play with our toy dinosaurs in it. This is a great way for kids to use their imagination and play.



Dinosaur Fossils

Materials:

Flour

Salt

Water

Bowl

Paint and Paintbrushes

Small Toy Dinosaurs

Mix 1 cup flour and 1/2 cup salt together in a bowl, then slowly add 1/2 cup of water to the dry mixture until you form a dough. Knead until smooth, then break apart into small sections. Press out dough into a cookie shape, and then stamp the dough with your small dinosaurs (only make a shallow mark, leave some dough to cover the pan underneath). Place these in the oven at the lowest setting for 2-3 hours. Allow the preschoolers to use paint to paint their fossils while you teach them all about what fossils are, where you can find them, what they look like, etc.

Paper Plate Dinosaurs

Materials:

Paper Plate

Paint

Cardstock or construction paper

Scissors

Glue

Other optional materials: Googly eyes, paper towel roll, bubble wrap



This is an awesome craft for younger children! The link above shows a super cute way to do it by adding designs with bubble wrap and having the dinosaur stand up by using a paper towel roll. If you don't have the supplies for these steps it is not necessary, the children can create their own design, you can make legs using the paper, and you can paint on an eye rather than use a googly eye. I love letting kids use their own creativity so do what's best for you and them!

Extra games, books, & activities

Songs

Din-o-saur!

(Tune: Five Little Ducks)

1 little dinosaur went out to play
On a bright and sunny day
He had such e-mor-mus fun
He called another dinosaur to come:
"Din-o-saur!"

2 little dinosaurs went out to play
On a bright and sunny day
They had such e-nor-mus fun
They called another dinosaur to come:
"Din-o-saur!"

Continue counting up through 5.

Last verse (spoken)
But another dinosaur didn't come.
Instead they heard their mommies calling
"Dinner!"

5 little dinosaurs went home to eat!

Dinosaur Stomp

(Tune: Row, row, row your boat)

Stomp, stomp, stomp around On your great big feet! Swish your tail and turn around Now let's take a seat!

The Dino-Pokey

You put your left claw in,
you take your left claw out!
You put your left claw in, and you scratch it all about!
You do the Dino-Pokey and you swish your tail around!
That's what it's all about!

(Again with the right claw)

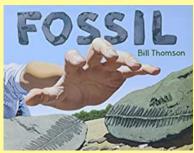
You stomp your left foot in,
you stomp your left foot out!
You stomp your left foot in, and you shake it all about!
You do the Dino-Pokey and you swish your tail around!
That's what its all about!

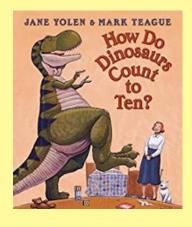
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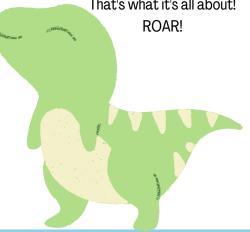
You put your big tail in,
you take your big tail out!
You put your big tail in, and you shake it all about!
You do the Dino-Pokey and you swish your tail around!
That's what it's all about!











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